

Gilsum Board of Selectmens Meeting
April 10, 2023 6:00 pm
held in Gilsum Public Library
Board present Bart Cushing, Sally Struble, and Clem Louder

6:00 pm Cushing calls meeting to order
Cushing-No minutes for approval this evening.

Town treasurer to deposit funds- briefly discussed
Cushing motions to sign the delegation deposit authority
Louder 2nds
Vote Unanimous
Motion passed

Bill Signing- Financial

Profit and Loss is in Selectmen's Office to view and updated weekly.

Signature cards to sign for government banking account maintenance
Signed by Selectboard

Louder makes motion to accept 04/10/23 check manifest
Struble 2nds
Vote: Unanimous
Motion passed

ARPA reporting

Cushing- More data is needed compared to previous year.
I have spent several hours on it and may enlist Lenore's help to complete.

Secure Email-

Struble- I talked with Allen treadwell today. He said he will do everything at once with setting up login credentials and the secure email.

Highway-

Old Marlow Road culvert permit status-
Cushing- We have paid for the Shoreline permit.
Vessel Rock Road culvert permit status- No updates

Highway personnel-

Cushing- Highway assistant part timer has given his notice. Signs should be up for the open position. I will talk with Dave tomorrow about putting a listing on the town website.

Mack Road project-

Cushing- Josh Perry is working with Arlington Paving to coordinate getting paving done and complete the project. Our engineer has to come over to create the final report.

3M Subpoena & Eversource matter

Cushing- Gary Kinyon sent a letter in regards to engaging in Woodsum for the 3m matter. He also received a notice to appear for the town for the Eversource matter, which he will represent the town with.

The town had taxed the utility company and Eversource stated they were being overcharged and Abatements went on for a number of years.

Ayer- The town is coming up on two decades of lawsuits with Everosurce. The Selectboard can choose to lower the assessment on it. It can be avoided by talking with Eversource and coming up with a happy medium. It would be beneficial if you backtracked four or five years and compare Eversource assessment and Avitar assessment and see the difference between the two and see if it's comparable each year and if there's a range that it keeps falling within.

Cushing- My understanding is that they are looking to come up with a settlement. I will discuss this with Gary Kinyon and get his input.

Gordon Enterprise- Public hearing at 7:00pm on the 2nd, to be held in the library. Informational meeting on the 2nd at 5:30, located at the gravel operation. Full application has been received.

Monadnock Regional School District/Community Center-

Struble to help with input on Memorandum of Understanding, to review next meeting

Cushing- Ms. Woody is retiring as superintendent. That puts the onus on us to get this taken care of. *wife 3/6 sbs c.*

Louder- I'll try to reach out to Ralph and Karen again this week.

Wording of Memorandum discussed briefly-

Individuals that are granted use of Community Center from Recreation Commission need certificate of insurance filed with the town prior to use

Welfare Officer- Records received to Town Hall

Cushing- Vicki Ayer is filling in the position on a temporary basis. *and Struble sbs c.*

Struble- I know there was concern about destroying records and if Vicki Ayer had discussed destroying records prior to doing so. As long as we have a town policy that is clear, personally I feel Vicki Ayer has saved the town quite a bit of money and is already up and running. We need to sign a policy that states how to handle record keeping.

Record keeping discussed briefly-

Ayer- RSA's are set by the Municipal Board and are the approval of the Municipal Board. A Lien is put on the property if money is owed to the town.

Struble- If someone comes to us for assistance and does not own property, records should be kept for as long as possible so that we can do an audit every once in a while.

Ayer- That is what NHGAP does.

Appointment for Welfare officer- Paperwork to be generated from Town Clerk for next week's meeting

Struble motions to appoint Vicki Ayer as the Welfare Officer for the Town of Gilsum until next Town Meeting

Louder 2nds

Vote Unanimous

Motion passed

Resident complaint for debris on property- Informal phone call to be made
Louder- It is an apartment. I feel it would be best to talk with the landlord.

Gilsum Park Committee- Lot Line Adjustment
Records to be filed at Town Hall

Fire Department- Two trucks registered & maintained with State of NH.
Selectboard date and sign document

SBS
BLL
LF

Emergency Management-

Dunehy- As the Emergency Management Director I have been working with the state in regards to the March snow storm damages. The state asked for a damage assessment to see if the town qualifies for the Presidential Disaster Declaration to receive funding. I had a virtual meeting with FEMA and the state to complete the next step for a preliminary damage assessment. They would like additional information by Monday. Cushing- I'm sure Harlen Maquire can provide you with that information.

Health Officer position- Brief discussion

Ayer- State can assign one to the town. John Rodgers helped us the last time we needed a Health Officer.

Struble motions to adjourn

Louder 2nds

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Olivia Rodriguez

Signature

Date

Minutes approved

Bart Cushing

Bart Cushing 4/17/23

Sally Struble

Sally B. Struble 4/17/23

Clem Louder

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